## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 7039 By Cochran

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Carolyn Jewell Rogers of Johnson City.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Carolyn Jewell Rogers; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Rogers distinguished herself as an enthusiastic educator of the greatest ability and integrity who worked tirelessly to improve the quality of life for her students and fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a native and lifelong resident of Washington County, Carolyn Rogers, daughter of the late Hughie James and Jeanetta Frances Reed Rector, was a highly respected member of her community; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Rogers served with acumen and alacrity as a teacher in the Carter County School System at Cloudland High School and Happy Valley High School and, during her thirty-eight years of estimable service, she earned the respect and admiration of faculty and students alike for her exemplary skill; and

WHEREAS, after her well-earned retirement from teaching in 1999, Carolyn Rogers worked with her daughter, Debbie, at Bear N Friends Toy Shoppe; Mrs. Rogers was so esteemed throughout her teaching career and her work at the toy shop that she was lovingly known as "Mom" by students, associates, and customers; and

WHEREAS, Carolyn Rogers was an active and devout member of Eden United Methodist Church, which she served faithfully for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Rogers was also deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Carolyn Rogers enjoyed the loving companionship of her husband of fortyfive years, Larry Rogers, and was the proud mother of son and daughter-in-law, Larry Benjamin and Anna Rogers; and daughter, Debbie Rogers; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Rogers is also survived by her grandson, Chad Blankenship; brother, Jimmy Rector; sisters, Joyce Garland and Norma Fawbush; nephews, Wesley Garland, Wade Garland, James Rector, and Terry Fawbush; and nieces, Kathy Fawbush, Alicia Emery, and Eva Rector; and

WHEREAS, Carolyn Rogers leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional teacher and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Carolyn Jewell Rogers, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family and friends of Carolyn Jewell Rogers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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